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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action (Paper No. 13) mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on May 7, 2002.

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

18. (Twice Amended) A composition, comprising an MBL inhibitor, wherein the MBL inhibitor is an isolated binding peptide that selectively binds to a human MBL epitope and that inhibits LCP associated complement activation, wherein the isolated MBL binding peptide has an MBL binding CDR3 region or a functional variant thereof of a monoclonal antibody produced by a hybridoma cell line selected from the group consisting of hybridoma cell line_(3F8), hybridoma cell line_(2A9), and hybridoma cell line_(hMBL1.2) deposited under ATCC accession numbers HB-12621, HB-12620, and HB-12619 respectively.

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